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Dear St. Paul City Council,

This message is in regards to the variance request for the construction project taking place at 2383 University Ave. W.

I will begin by explaining that, unfortunately, the managers of our apartment building withheld the below message from us for nearly two weeks, hindering us residents from drafting a response to tonight's public hearing.

I urge you to reject or propose significant amendments to this variance request. So many of us are already facing difficulties after one full year of remote work and/or remote learning. The earsplitting noise and vibrations resulting from the proposed pile driving across the street each and every day from 7am-5pm will make it nearly impossible for many of us to have the adequate focus to do our jobs or study. Please put yourselves in our shoes.

In normal times this variance would be a significant disruption to daily life. In these abnormal times this disruption is amplified to an extreme level.

I implore you to reject this variance request, at the very least, until June when the school year will be over. This will allow remote students, and working parents with remote students, in our community to finish this unprecedented school year without yet another obstacle. This will also provide at least some relief to remote employees by allowing them time to determine an alternative working location.

If you do not reject this variance, I implore you to alternate the days and hours of the proposed variance. For instance, instead of 7AM to 5PM, please limit the variance to 7AM to 12PM. Instead of each and every day of the school and work week, please limit the variance to TUES./THURS.

We did not receive notice when this construction project began using pile drivers earlier this year. It was sudden, earsplitting, and the vibrations made it difficult to live our lives remotely as so many of us must do. The opportunity to comment is appreciated.

Please put people over construction, especially in these unprecedented times.

Thank you.



